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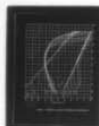
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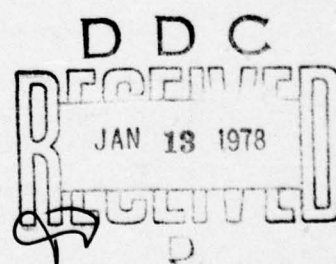
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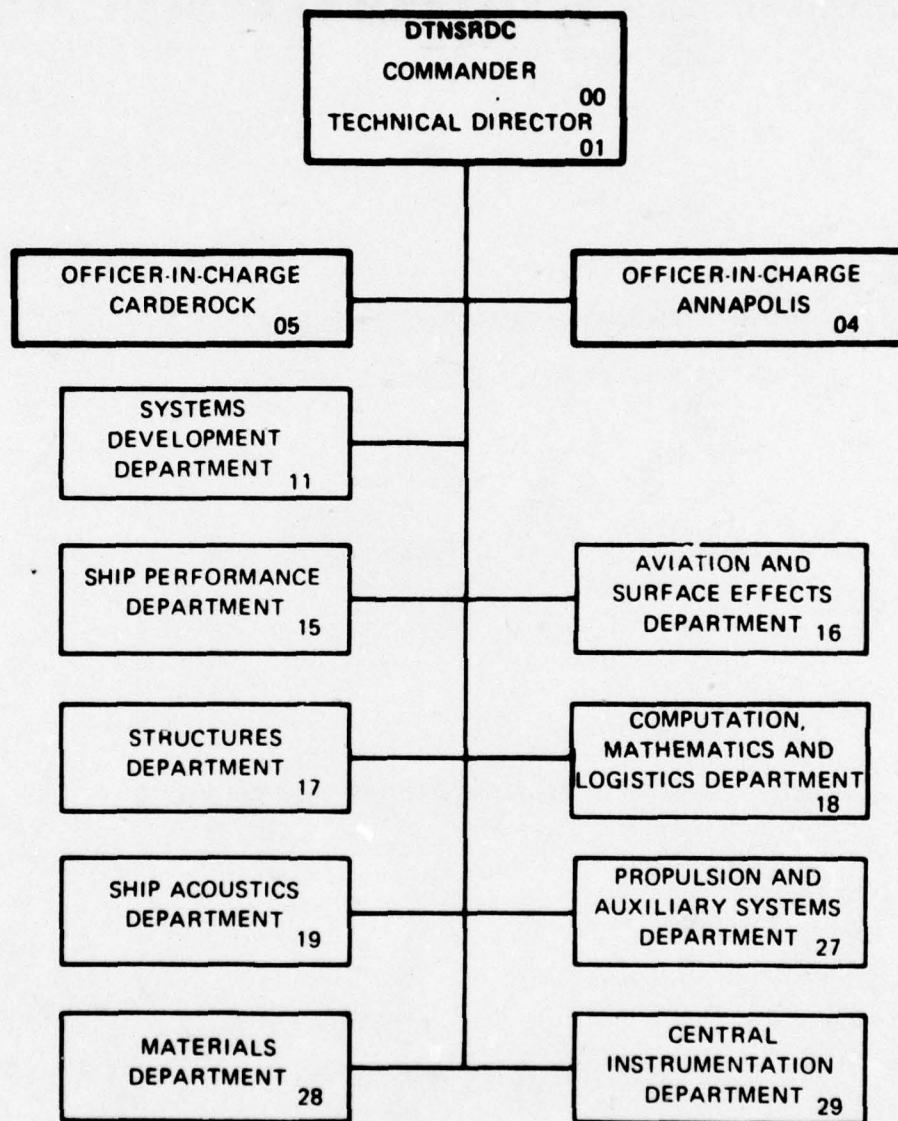
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# NOTATION

		<u>Dimensions</u>
$A_E$	Expanded area of propeller blades $A_E = EAR (A_O)$	$ft^2, m^2$
$A_O$	Disc area of propeller $A_O = \frac{\pi D^2}{4}$	$ft^2, m^2$
$A_P$	Projected area of propeller blades $A_P = A_E (1.067 - 0.229 P/D)$	$ft^2, m^2$
$C$	Blade section length	$ft, m$
$C_{0.7}$	Blade section at 0.7 radius	$ft, m$
$D$	Propeller diameter	$ft, m$
$EAR$	Expanded area ratio $A_E/A_O$	
$g$	Acceleration due to gravity	$ft/sec^2, m/sec^2$
$h$	Propeller submergence	$ft, m$
$J$	Advance coefficient $J = V/nD$	
$K_T$	Thrust coefficient $K_T = \frac{T}{\rho n^2 D^4}$	
$K_T/J^2$	Loading coefficient	
$K_Q$	Torque coefficient $K_Q = \frac{Q}{\rho n^2 D^5}$	
$K_Q/J^3$	Powering coefficient	
$n$	Propeller rotation speed	$rev/sec, r/s$
$P$	Propeller pitch	$ft, m$
$P/D$	Pitch-diameter ratio	
$P_A$	Atmospheric pressure	$lb/ft^2, N/m^2$
$P_H$	Static water pressure, $P_H = \rho gh$	$lb/ft^2, N/m^2$
$P_V$	Vapor pressure	$lb/ft^2, N/m^2$
$T$	Propeller thrust	$lb, N$



		<u>Dimensions</u>
Q	Propeller torque	lb/ft, N·m
Q <sub>c</sub>	Torque load coefficient, $Q_c = \frac{2.55 K_Q}{(J^2 + 4.84)(EAR)(1.067 - 0.229 P/D)}$	
v	Velocity of boat	ft/sec, m/sec
v <sub>0.7</sub>	Resultant velocity of water at 0.7 radius of propeller $v_{0.7}^2 = \frac{J^2 + 4.83}{J^2} v^2$	ft/sec, m/sec
η	Propeller open water efficiency, $\eta = \frac{K_T}{K_Q} \frac{J}{2\pi}$	
ρ	Mass density of water	lb-sec <sup>2</sup> /ft <sup>4</sup> , K <sub>g</sub> /m <sup>3</sup>
σ	Cavitation number, $\sigma = \frac{P_A + P_H - P_V}{\frac{1}{2} \rho v^2}$	
σ <sub>0.7</sub>	Local cavitation number, $\sigma_{0.7} = \frac{P_A + P_H - P_V}{\frac{1}{2} \rho v_{0.7}^2}$	
τ	Thrust load coefficient, $\tau = \frac{T}{\frac{1}{2} \rho A_p v_{0.7}^2}$	

## ABSTRACT

Two 22 inch Newton Rader type full scale propellers were manufactured and tested for use during full scale trials on the 11 meter "Sea Fox". Open water tests were conducted and cavitating performance characteristics were obtained for these propellers over a range of cavitation numbers corresponding to full scale speeds from 9 to 45 knots. The propeller performance data and a table containing the principal propeller geometry information is presented in this report.

## ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

This work was performed for the Naval Ship Engineering Center, Norfolk Division under Task Area S0414-SW001 and Project Element 63586N.

## INTRODUCTION

The Naval Ship Engineering Center Norfolk Division (NAVSECNORDIV) requested that the David Taylor Naval Ship R&D Center (DTNSRDC) procure and characterize a pair of propellers for use during full scale trials of the "Sea Fox". This pair of propellers was manufactured for DTNSRDC as per NAVSEA drawing No. Seafox 101-5033153 by Michigan Wheel Co. The principal dimensions of these propellers are given in Table 1.

Open water characteristics were obtained on both right and left hand propellers. Cavitating performance characteristics were obtained on the right hand propeller only since open water test results indicated that the performance of the two propellers is essentially identical. Upon completion of the test program this pair of propellers was shipped to the boat construction site as per NAVSECNORDIV request.

## EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE AND FACILITIES

Open water characteristics of the propellers were obtained in the deep water basin using the 35 HP dynamometer. Both propellers were characterized in open water over a range of speed coefficients ( $J$ ) from zero velocity to zero thrust. The Reynolds number for the open-water tests ranged from  $2.5 \times 10^6$  to  $3.1 \times 10^6$ .

Cavitation characteristics of the propellers were obtained in the 36" Variable Pressure Water Tunnel in uniform flow. Two water velocities, 25 fps and 30 fps were used to provide a range of cavitation numbers from 9.43 to 0.40. The cavitation numbers represent a range of full scale speeds from 9.4 to 45 knots. Reynolds number for the cavitation experiments ranged from  $4.0 \times 10^6$  to  $7.4 \times 10^6$ .

## PRESENTATION OF DATA AND DISCUSSION

The open water characteristics data of the propellers were reduced to the usual nondimensional coefficients of thrust and torque. The open water characteristics for both propellers are presented in Figure 1. The closeness of the coefficients for the left hand and right hand propellers indicate that they are very closely matched in both pitch and blade outline.

Cavitating performance characteristics were obtained for the right hand propeller for cavitation numbers ranging from 9.4 to 0.4. These data



were reduced to the usual nondimensional coefficients of torque, thrust, and efficiency. In addition to the normal coefficients the nondimensional coefficients of  $K_T/J^2$ ,  $K_Q/J^3$ ,  $Q_C$ ,  $\sigma_{0.7}$  and  $\tau$  were calculated. Curves showing  $K_T$ ,  $K_Q$  and  $\eta$  for constant values of  $\sigma$  are shown plotted against  $J$  in Figure 2. Tabulated values of  $J$ ,  $K_T$ ,  $K_Q$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $K_T/J^2$ ,  $K_Q/J^3$ ,  $Q_C$ ,  $\sigma_{0.7}$  and  $\tau$  for all test conditions are provided in Table 2. Representative cavitation patterns for thrust loading coefficient ( $K_T/J^2$ ) of 0.10 and 0.15 are shown in Figure 3.

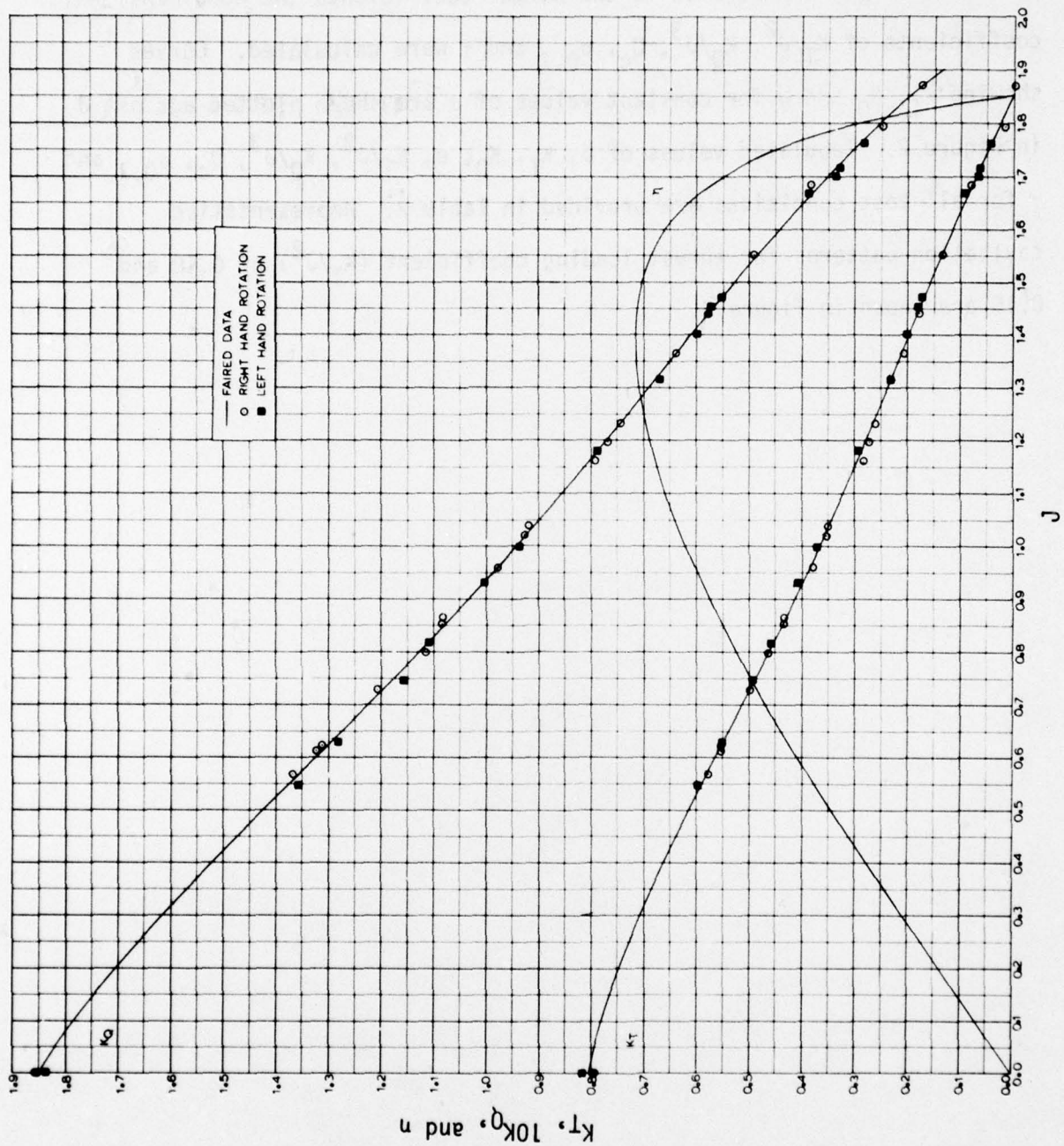


Figure 1 - Open Water Propeller Characteristics

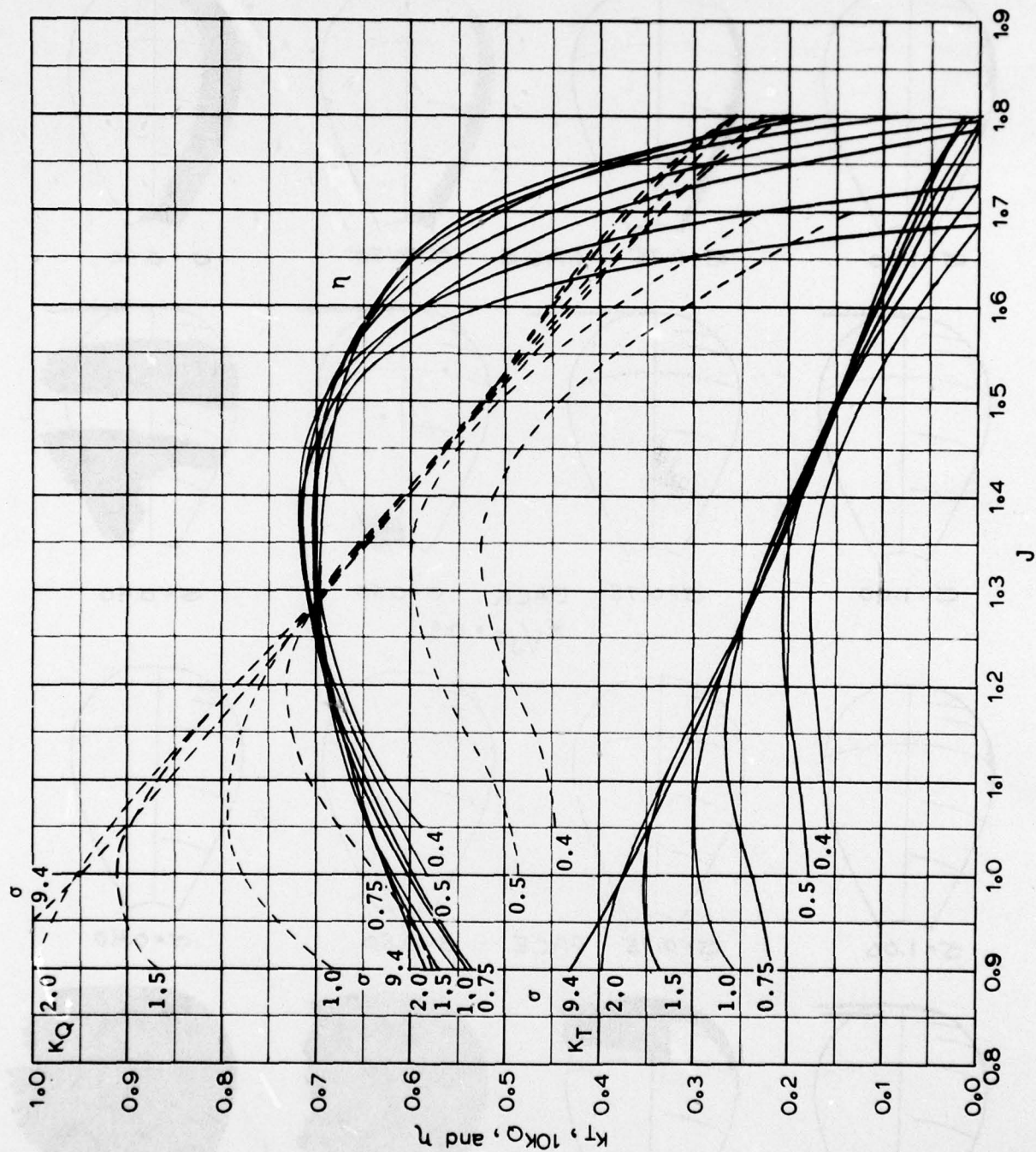


Figure 2 - Propeller Cavitation Performance Characteristics



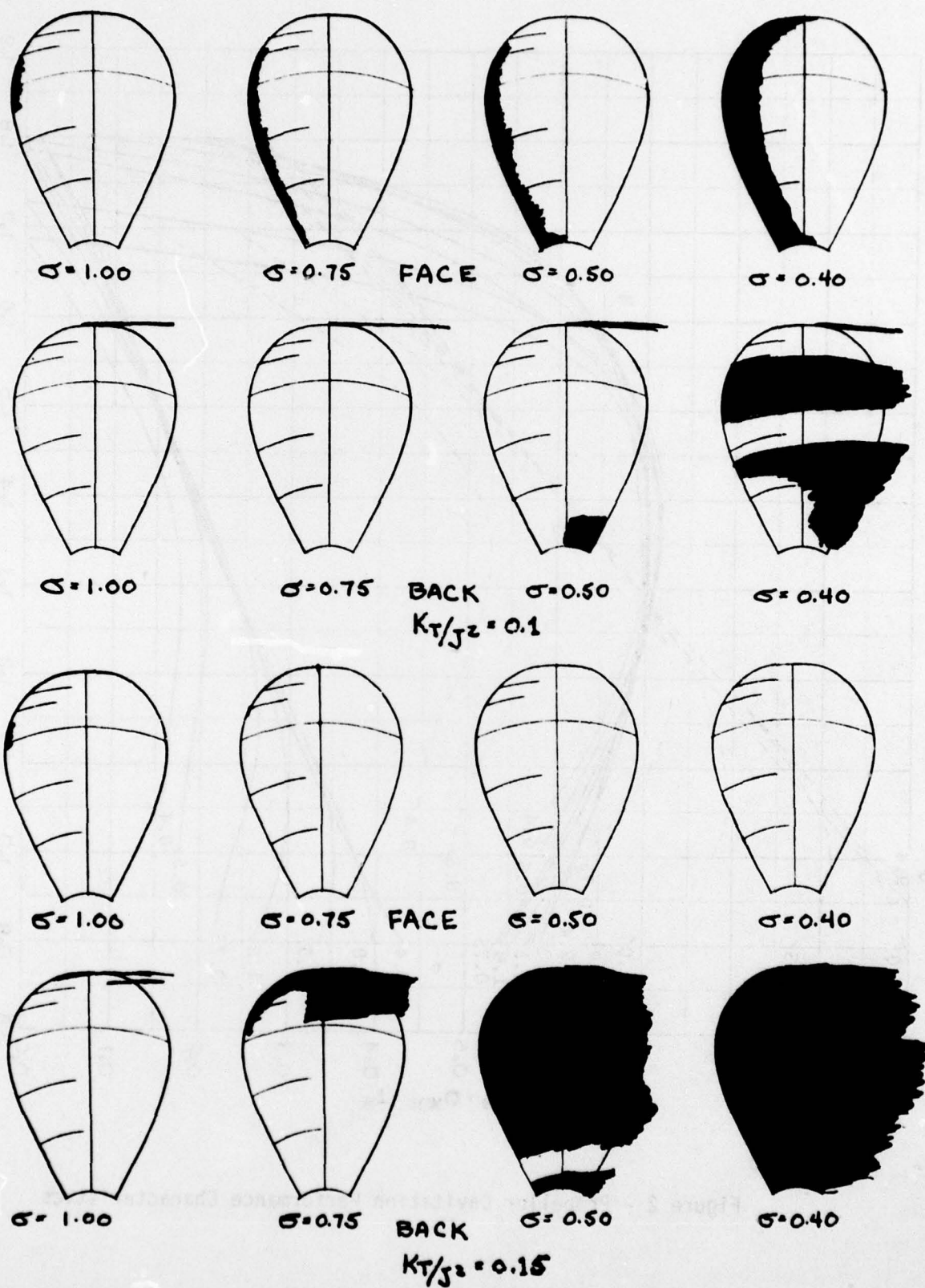


Figure 3 - Representative Sketches of Cavitation Patterns for Thrust Loading Coefficients of 0.10 and 0.15

TABLE 1 - PROPELLER GEOMETRY

No. of Blades	3
Diameter	22 in (558 mm)
Pitch	34 in (863 mm)
Pitch Ratio	1.545
Developed Area Ratio	0.719
Hub to Diameter Ratio	0.18

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Add to Table 1, page 7:

Expanded Area Ratio      0.82

Replace TAUC columns in Table 2, page 8 with these values:

Sigma = 9.430

J	TAUC
.9000	.3315
.9500	.3040
1.0000	.2784
1.0500	.2546
1.1000	.2323
1.1500	.2115
1.2000	.1919
1.2500	.1734
1.3000	.1558
1.3500	.1391
1.4000	.1231
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1.5500	.0800
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1.6500	.0543
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1.8000	.0080

Sigma = 1.5

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# ERRATA SHEET (Cont.)

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Sigma = .50

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Sigma = .40

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